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REF: RINZLER/SMITHSONIAN TELCON, SEPTEMBER 30, 1975

PLEASE PASS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO THE SMITHSONIAN
FOR BELCHER FROM RINZLER:

1. IN A MEETING WITH OFFICIALS POLGAR AND DREXLER OF
THE HUNGARIAN INSTITUTE OF CULTURE, STRONG HUNGARIAN
GOVERNMENT INTEREST IN PARTICIPATION IN THE 1976 FESTIVAL
WAS APPARENT, BUT THE PROBLEM OF FUNDING WAS GIVEN AS
THE REASON FOR A DELAY IN COMMITMENT. THE QUESTION WAS
RAISED AS TO WHAT THE HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT WILL GET IN
RETURN IN THE WAY OF PRESS AND OTHER MEDIA EXPOSURE, GOOD
WILL, ETC. IF ATTENDANCE FIGURES, PRESS COVERAGE DATA,
ETC., CAN BE MADE CLEAR IN A SINGLE PAGE FACT SHEET, THIS
MIGHT DRIVE HOME THE POINT.

2. IT MAY BE THAT THE REAL HESITATION ON THE PART OF
THE HUNGARIANS INVOLVES IMAGE. WE WANT TRADITIONAL,
UNSOPHISTICATED PERFORMERS; THEY WOULD PREFER TO SEND
A SLICK AMATEUR GROUP. THEREFORE, THE HUNGARIAN
EMBASSY IN D.C. MUST BE MADE TO UNDERSTAND THE
WORLDWIDE REPUTATION OF BARTOK AND KODALY AS SUPPORTERS
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OF THE UNADORNED TRADITION AND THE FACT THAT THE MTA,

HUNGARIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCE, HAS TOP-FLIGHT SCHOLARS
CARRING ON THE BARTOK-KODALY TRADITION.

3. JAKOBSON AND RINZLER HAVE CONSULATE WITH THESE
SCHOLARS, BALINT SAROSI (CHIEF OF THE DEPARTMENT
OF MUSICOLOGY, ACADEMY OF SCIENCE, AND SPECIALIST ON
INSTRUMENTS), AND GYORGI MARTIN(DANCE SPECIALIST⁹.
ALL HAVE AGREED TO SERVE ON THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE IF
CHOSEN. COMMITTEE MEMBERS CAN BE SELECTED BY JAKOBSON
IN CONCERT WITH HUNGARIAN SCHOLARS.

4. WE WILL NEED A STRONG LETTER FROM THE HUNGARIAN
EMBASSY, WASHINGTON, TO POLGAR AND ROSTOV OF THE
INSTITUTE OF CULTURE RECOMMENDING PARTICIPATION.
ALSO, A LETTER FROM ARBA DISTINGUISHING FAF 76 AS
A MAJOR, MULTINATIONAL BICENTENNIAL EVENT WOULD BE
A STRONG ENDORSEMENT. POLGAR HAS SUGGESTED THAT THE
HUNGARIANS ARE HAVING DIFFICULTY DISTINGUISHING AMONG
THE MULTITUDE OF BICENTENNIAL EVENTS.

5. POLISH SITUATION ENTIRELY IN HAND. ALL ANGLES SEEM
TO HAVE BEEN COVERED, AND THE TAPES OF THE PERFORMERS
SCHEDULED TO PARTICIPATE ARE EXTRADORDINARILY FINE.
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